## workforce & technology center Shaping Careers and Futures in Maryland

## Professional Animal Workers (PAWS)

This 10-week program in partnership with the Community College of Baltimore County (CCBC) prepares individuals with disabilities to work in shelters and kennels, veterinary offices and hospitals, doggie daycare centers, independent pet and grooming shops and retail pet stores. The program includes classroom and on-the-job training and is taught by a CCBC instructor.

## **Training Includes:**

- Animal First Aid & CPR Certifications
- Computer literacy and basic office skills
- Basic animal care skills feeding, watering, grooming, bathing, exercising and cage cleaning
- Off-campus internship

## **Program Requirements:**

- Sixth-grade reading level
- High school diploma/GED preferred
- Ability to remain calm in high-stress situations
- Ability and desire to work with animals
- Ability to lift up to 40 pounds
- Complete a career assessment at WTC

Contact your DORS Counselor or your local DORS office for more information - www.dors.maryland.gov







